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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Hiroshi NAKAZATO  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CALCULATING  
TONER CONSUMPTION AMOUNT  
**Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q78272

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising one hundred twenty (120) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and twenty-six (26) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government filing fee and copies of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.** Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>43</u>	-	20	=	<u>23</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$414.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>14</u>	-	3	=	<u>11</u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$946.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$770.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<u><b>\$2130.00</b></u>





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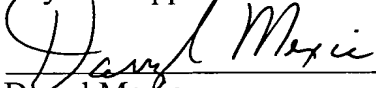
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>2002-354530</b>	<b>December 6, 2002</b>
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<b>Japan</b>	<b>2002-360513</b>	<b>December 12, 2002</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>2002-360514</b>	<b>December 12, 2002</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>2002-360515</b>	<b>December 12, 2002</b>

The priority documents are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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